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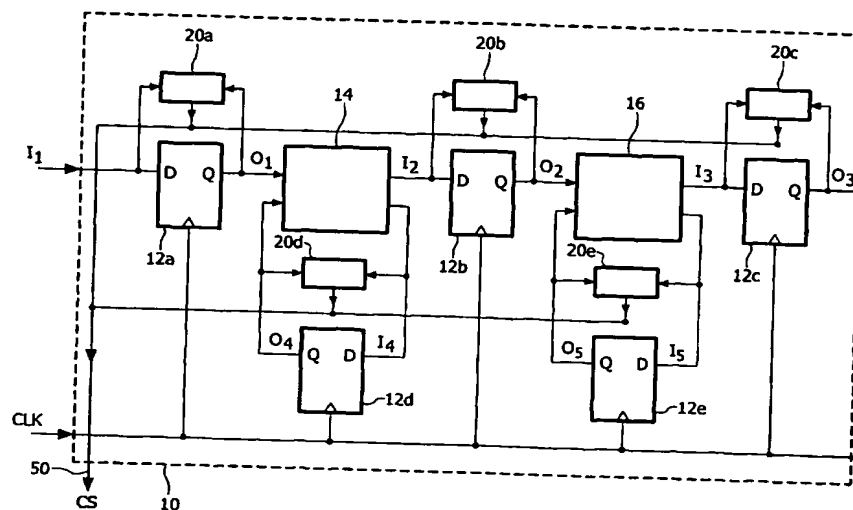
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to an electronic circuit, apparatus and method for monitoring and controlling power consumption. Accordingly, there is provided an electronic circuit, apparatus and method that includes one or more sequential logic elements (12) that are capable of receiving a clock signal (CLK) and an input signal (I) and providing an output signal (O). The sequential logic element (12) further comprises circuitry (20) for monitoring the input and output signals (I, O), and providing a control signal (CS) in response to the input and output signals (I, O), wherein the IC's power consumption is operatively controllable in response to the control signal.



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